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In re Application of

Bentley and McCabe

Application No. 10/816,832 : DECISION ACCORDING STATUS : UNDER 37 CFR 1.47(a)

Filed: April 15, 2004

Attorney Docket No. 015291-144 For: Method and Apparatus for Adjusting a Slump in Washing

Concrete Mixing Trucks

This is in response to the petition under 37 CFR 1.47(a), filed June 16, 2004.

The petition is granted.

Petitioner has shown that Stuart Bentley, the non-signing inventor, has refused to join in the filing of the aboveidentified application after having been presented with the application papers. Specifically, the statement of facts of William C. Rowland establishes that the inventor was mailed the application papers, including the specification, claims and drawings, but failed to respond to the request that he sign the declaration.

The above-identified application and papers have been reviewed and found in compliance with 37 CFR 1.47(a). This application is hereby accorded Rule 1.47(a) status.

As provided in Rule 1.47(c), this Office will forward notice of this application's filing to the non-signing inventor at the address given in the present petition. Notice of the filing of this application will also be published in the Official Gazette.

The application file is being returned to the Office of Initial Patent Examination for further processing.

Telephone inquiries regarding this decision should be directed to the undersigned at (703) 306-5589.

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